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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)

Docket No. (Optional)
29985/01-059

In re Application of		Eric Houde
Application Number	10/043,052-Conf. #9790	Filed January 9, 2002
For: FLUID MANAGEMENT VALVE		
Art Unit	3754	Examiner Keasel, Eric

This is a request under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) to extend the period for filing a reply in the above identified application.

The requested extension and appropriate non-small-entity fee are as follows (check time period desired):

One month (37 CFR 1.17(a)(1))
 Two months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(2))
 Three months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(3))
 Four months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(4))
 Five months (37 CFR 1.17(a)(5))

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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27. Therefore, the fee amount shown above is reduced by one-half, and the resulting fee is: \$ _____
 A check including the amount of the fee is enclosed.
 Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached.
 The Director has already been authorized to charge fees in this application to a Deposit Account.
 The Director is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account Number 13-2855

I have enclosed a duplicate copy of this sheet.

I am the applicant/inventor.
 assignee of record of the entire interest. See 37 CFR 3.71.
Statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b) is enclosed. (Form PTO/SB/96).
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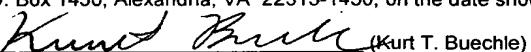
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Total of 1 forms are submitted.

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